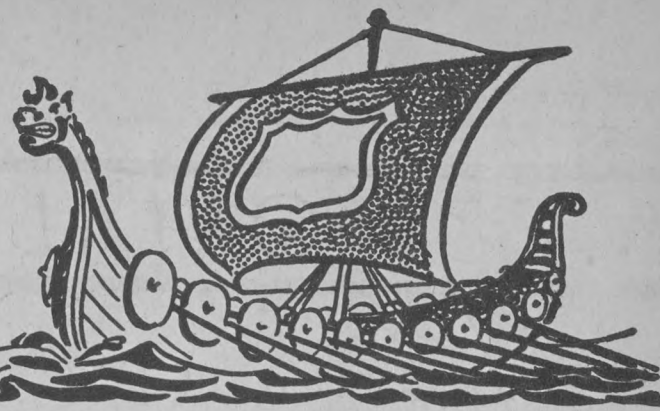




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Shareholders Favor Recreational Wing

Members and Friends Spend Enjoyable Afternoon

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On April 4th a very enjoyable coffee party was held in the Viking Room of the Scandinavian Centre for members and their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus received at the door and were in charge of the guest book.

A pleasant afternoon was spent drinking coffee and visiting with old and new friends.

The coffee tables were gayly decorated with yellow daffodils and the head table with spring bouquets and silver coffee services. Sharing the honour of pouring were Mrs. H. Halldorson, Mrs. M. McDonald, Mrs. V. Nielsen, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. Christopherson, Mrs. Luoma, Mrs. R. Sivertsen, Mrs. J. Rama and Mrs. L. Naversteth.

The lovely young hostesses in costume who so gracefully and efficiently served the coffee and tea were Carol Arason, Arlene Amdam, Hanna Olsen, Audrey Eliasson, Diane Salomaa, Donna-Rae Valgardson, Rita Salomaa, Lise Godbersen and Miss Ingvald.

During the afternoon Mrs. Irene Hovde sang several lovely songs, accompanied by Carl Elgstrand and his orchestra.

Mr. Sig Sorenson gave a most interesting talk on the importance of being a shareholder in the Scandinavian Centre, and gave instruction to the Captains and their committees with regard to "Every Shareholder Visitation Week."

The Conveners' Committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Mrs. Cameron, Mrs. Nielsen, Mrs. Amdam, Mrs. Searl, Mrs. Ogren, and Mrs. Eliasson.

A very sincere thanks to all who helped in any way; we appreciated you. How happy we are to have such a lovely Centre where we can invite our friends and relatives to join us in the fellowship and good times that we enjoy when Scandinavians get together.

Won't you join us at our next Social?

Opera Premiere, Musical Centennials Highlight 1965 Scandinavian Festival

The world premiere of a new Norwegian opera, several new ballets and numerous concerts commemorating the centennials of Finland's Jean Sibelius and Denmark's Carl Nielsen are among the many unique features included in the 125 different programs of the 26-day Scandinavian Festival which begins May 15. The Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra and the Cleveland Orchestra lead the long list of guest performers who will join with Scandinavia's leading talents in this year's festival series.

The Scandinavian Festival consists of these coordinated events: the Royal Danish Ballet and Music Festival in Copenhagen, May 15-June 9; the Sibelius Festival in Helsinki, May 15-June 4, and the Bergen International Festival in Bergen, Norway, May 19-June 5. The Stockholm Festival, which formerly took place in June is September 1-14 this year, but visitors who include Stockholm in their spring festival circuit will find the regular season's opera, ballet and dram performances still available.

The new opera is the three-act "Jeppe" by the Norwegian composer Geirr Tveitt and is based on the comedy, "Jeppe on the Hill," by Ludwig Holberg. "Scandinavia's Moliere" and a native son of Bergen, where the opera will be introduced on May 31.

Helsinki, followed by Bergen, will present new ballets based on Sibelius music by the Danish choreographer Harald Lander. The first is "King Christian II" and the other, "Sibelius Gala," combine excerpts from several works to form a cavalcade of the Finnish composer's music.

Score of concerts throughout Scandinavia will pay tribute to Denmark's greatest composer, Carl Nielsen, and to Sibelius, both of whom were born 100 years ago. In Copenhagen, Nielsen's opera, "Saul and David," will be staged at the Royal Theatre. His symphonies will be played by numerous groups in the Danish capital and in Odense, on the island of Funen, where he began his musical career.

The festival programs include many other items of unusual interest. Copenhagen, for example, will present an authentic Russian version of "Swan Lake" for which the Royal Danish Ballet trained under Mme. Nina Anissimova, noted Russian ballet producer, and Xenia Ter-Stepanova, principal teacher of the Vaganova School in Leningrad. A new Danish ballet, "The Private Lesson,"

based on a play by Eugene Ionesco, also will be presented. Operas include Puccini's one-act "Il Tabarro," composed in the years around World War I, and Kurt Weill's "Mahogany" which describes life in a colony where poverty is the only crime. The long-running Danish hit musical, "Teenager Love," which has attracted world attention, also will be seen, and the finals of the Nicolai Malko International Competition for Young Conductors takes place May 19.

In Helsinki, Finland's President, Urho Kekkonen, will open the Sibelius Festival on May 15, and Jussi Jalas, Sibelius' son-in-law, will conduct the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra in the first of the many tributes to Sibelius. The next day, Herbert von Karajan, conducting the Berlin Philharmonic, will be the first of the foreign musicians joining the salute. New music by other Finnish composers also will be heard at the festival.

Bergen's varied representation of Scandinavian and other international talents includes the Finnish National Opera's production of Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess," which, because of only recently relaxed copyright restrictions, is the first non-American production in Europe. O'Neill's "Emperor Jones," with the American Negro, Earle Hyman, in the title role, will be staged by Det Norske Teatret of Oslo, and intimate recitals of Edward Grieg's works, to whom much of the Bergen Festival is dedicated, will be given at his home, Trolldhaugen, using his own piano.

Cash Prizes Awarded At Bingo

There was a good turn out for the cash bingo night on March 19th held in the Nordic Room. Bingo is a favorite with the older group as was shown by their attendance. Many cash prizes were given out, one gentleman seemed to have a voice that echoed, as he continually came up with winning numbers. There were tense moments when several at one table waited patiently for just one special number and then the spell was broken by a voice away across the room and hopes dashed. That is bingo, high sky high hopes, then crash.

Joe Lineham was at the master-board. A lovely lunch was served by hostesses Edel Jacobson and Mary Gulbrandsen.

On Sunday, April 11th, 1965, the Captains and their teams gathered at the Scandinavian Centre Board Room to tabulate the results of EVERY SHAREHOLDER VISITATION WEEK:

The following are the results of the voting:

Recreation Wing	156
Swimming Pool	54
Restaurant	45
Lounge	24
Catering Service	18
Leif Erickson Park	16
Sauna Bath	15
Tennis Courts	8
Skating Rink	1
Curling Rink	6

TOTAL 343

The Building Committee should begin planning now for the future, and in those plans it is almost certain that the Recreational Wing will receive priority. However it must be remembered that we must pay off the present debt first. If this is done soon, then it will be quite possible to make the Recreation Wing a Centennial Project to begin in 1967.

... AND MONEY!

The results were encouraging, because 14 people offered to sell shares — i.e.: an addition to the present canvassers' list; 85 shareholders offered to buy additional shares; and 167 brand-new prospects were listed.

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION INDICATED

Many shareholders were willing to serve on committees now chaired by various directors:

Committee	No. of Vol.
Exhibition Booth	77
Youth and Recreation	15
Publicity	6
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H. Markstrom	H. Markstrom

From the above it is quite apparent that directors will have no trouble completing their committees. It is also apparent that 1965 will go down as a very active and a most exciting year for the Scandinavian Centre.

The Board of Directors and I say "Thank You" to the many canvassers who did such a thorough job.

S. A. Sorenson,
Director of Share-Selling

...EDITORIAL...

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK . . .

BY MRS. LINNEA LODGE

CHILDREN'S FLIGHT PARTY - MARCH 21, 1965

Many thanks go to Wardair Canada, Ltd. who made it possible for a planeload of young people to enjoy a flight over the City of Edmonton. The Scandinavian Centre was privileged to send twenty-two children. Each one was very excited and thrilled as few have had an opportunity to fly before. We hope that this experience will add to their increasing knowledge.

EVERY SHAREHOLDER VISITATION WEEK - APRIL 4-11

After a full week of work by the twelve Captains and their assistants, all the data on the questionnaires was tabulated and a great deal of interesting information was obtained. It seems that the Recreational Wing is the next project the shareholders are interested in supporting. Many persons have indicated their desire to assist on various committees. These people can expect to hear from the respective Director assigned to these particular areas.

CHARTER FLIGHTS

We regret to advise that we were compelled to cancel our Stockholm flight, because of a lack of interest on the part of the shareholders. This is regrettable when so many ask why do you not have a plane going to Sweden. In this type of venture, in order for co-operation to work, the plane must carry a complete load of passengers so that the price per ticket is made as low as possible.

We hope we have a pleasant surprise for those who want to get away from our cold winters. A flight to Nassau in mid-February is announced and we expect this to be very popular so do not delay your application.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET APRIL 13, 1965

- 45 share applications accepted.
- A prize of one share will be offered for the most original idea and best design of an Exhibition Float which can be erected for Klondike Days.
- Profit from the April 4th Coffee Party was \$50.60.
- May 27th, 1965 a noon reception at the Scandinavian Centre for a planeload of agricultural students from Norway.
- June 3rd, 1965 a noon reception at the Scandinavian Centre for a planeload of agricultural students from Denmark.
- Annual Scandinavian Day will be held at Elk Island Park July 25th, 1965.
- Anniversary Celebrations will be held on Monday, June 21st, 1965.

The following was found in the Co-operative Bulletin sent out from the Department of Industry and Development.

MY CREED AS A CO-OP MEMBER . . .

- To support my Co-op with my patronage.
- To keep informed on my Co-op's affairs.
- To remember that membership carries an obligation to abide by the decisions of the majority even if I am in the minority.
- To always remember my Co-op is me and others like me, and its behaviour is a reflection of MY behavior.
- To use my influence to see that my Co-op assumes its fair share of the community responsibilities.

The last item made me think of the telephone call that I received a few weeks ago. This party wanted to see the Swedish Folk Dancers perform at one of our hospitals. Are there not many talents within our ethnic groups who might present a varied programme for such institutions? The Executives of the various ethnic Societies might give this matter further thought with possibility of using any special talents within their Society to serve the community in this way.

TEEN DANCES

Mr. Paul Larsen reports that the dances are receiving more support but there is still room for more young people. The orchestras present play those interesting numbers that young people like. Two Saturday's a month these dances are held at the Centre in the Nordic Room.

MONDAY, MAY 17TH, 1965

This will be a great day of celebration for the Norwegian ethnic group wherever they might be. Independence Day is celebrated in various ways, but whatever manner I am sure they will end up with a really good time.

Children and Seamen Forge Bonds Through "Ship Adoption"

Norwegian newspapers often report activities connected with the so-called Ship Adoption plan. Operated by the Norwegian Shipowners Association, Norsk Skipadopsjon is a two-way scheme for maintaining close bonds between school children and seamen on their "adopted" ships roaming the Seven Seas. Hundreds of airmailed class bulletins bring cherished bits of local and school news to homesick seamen. In exchange, the latter send exotic gifts from far-off lands. When merchant ships make their infrequent calls at Norwegian ports, children are invited aboard for refreshments and briefings. If that is not feasible, officers call at schools to give talks on their experiences. The importance of the Ship Adoption plan as a morale building factor is generally recognized. It also helps to persuade youngsters that Norwegian merchant shipping offers a well paid career.

A Sizeable Membership

The idea of establishing such intimate contacts between school children and seamen originated in England in the middle 1930's. Soon classes and crews were engaged in a mutually useful exchange of letters and presents. The potentialities of the program impressed Norwegian ship owner Knut Utstein Kloster. On January 6th, 1939, he was named chairman of a committee set up by the Norwegian Shipowners Association to alnuch a similar project, in co-operation with three national organizations of school teachers and the Norwegian Journal of Commerce and Shipping. Within a year, the Committee had established contact between 50 schools and as many Norwegian merchant vessels. Then came the German invasion, which put a stop to the work. It was resumed after the war, again on the initiative of Mr. Kloster. This time it was decided to set up a separate office, Norsk Skipsadopsjon, to provide guidance and assistance to schools interested in the ship adoption plan, and also to handle the exchange of news bulletins and gifts. Under the capable leadership of Magne Graff, "Mr. Ship Adoption," the program has grown at a rapid pace.

At the present time, no fewer than 450 Norwegian ships and as many schools back home are part of the Ship Adoption program, with a long waiting list of others that would like to join. Among the participants are classes at elementary as well as secondary schools, and even a few at teachers' schools. Some classes drop out, from time to time, but others take their place. Since the program was initiated, 920 schools have had adoption ships.

School principals and teachers are regularly briefed on how to develop and maintain such class projects. An adoption paper, prepared for each ship, sets forth the mutual privileges and obligations. Written in elaborate chancery style, this document is duly signed and sealed by the ship master and the school principal directly concerned.

Through their correspondence with seamen, school children learn about shipping and its vital importance to the Norwegian economy. They use data on navigation and cargoes as part of their arithmetic studies. Much information is also acquired about economic geography and life in foreign lands. The Ship Adoption thus opens a window to the rest of the world.

Scandinavian Centre Teen Society Plans Busy Agenda

In the past we had many requests for ideas in regards to various types of activities for our teenagers. As you all know, we have organized afternoon dances every second Saturday in the Nordic Room between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. These dances were "supervised" by Mr. Knut Svidal and Mrs. Amdam, but the attendance in the start was very poor. Later during the winter months, we had 30 - 40 swinging Teenagers at these "hops," where they were twisting and shimmying to the "Noise and Tunes" of the Reptiles who unfortunately couldn't keep the contract to play in the afternoon any longer due to some of the boys from the band who were committed to other work.

Last Saturday, April 10th we organized the first dance with the CHED sponsored band "The Virtues" on the bandstand. These boys are one of the up and coming top bands for this type of music. They brought a singer along and also had Ray Short there who is on the announcing and promotion staff with CHED.

In February the Director Mr. W. Halldorson held a meeting with Mrs. Amdam and myself, where we decided to continue the TEEN-HOPS and at that meeting we formed The Scandinavian Centre Teen Society as a separate Charter (no bylaws have been set up as yet). But it was decided that \$1.00 single membership or \$2.00 family memberships (which means families with more than two teenagers) were to initiate our new organization and with such low annual dues, we feel that it gives all Scandinavian Teen-agers an individual sense of belonging to their own co-operative Society with perhaps many other good plans for activities in the more cultural field. It is our hope that we have the parents full trust and co-operation in these functions at our beautiful Centre. We will have an evening dance on Thursday, May 20th, see the Ad in this paper. See you then.

Poul B. Larsen,

Cultural Committee Member

Anniversary Celebration To Be Held June 21st

Knud Holm-Pedersen has announced plans for a gala celebration to commemorate the opening of the Scandinavian Centre.

Tickets will be on sale shortly and will be limited to 300 in number. The Dinner will be preceded by a reception hour from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The Dance which will follow dinner will provide a potpourri of dance music to suit everyone's dancing and listening taste.

It is planned that dress for the evening will be optional for both ladies and gentlemen.

Rather than be disappointed, plan now to make up your party and reserve your tickets. Call Mr. Holm-Pedersen at 439-5744.

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Anti-Smoking Clinic Held In Oslo

Social Affairs Minister Olav Gjaerevoll attended the opening of a 5-day anti-smoking clinic recently held in Oslo for some 200 participants. It was arranged by Norwegian Abstinence Federation, which sponsored a similar group therapy session for smokers at Hamar in May, 1964. (See "News of Norway," Vol. 21, No. 23).

The result of the latter venture was encouraging. Of the 31 who completed the 5-day course, 24 had mustered sufficient will-power to quit smoking. A later check-up indicated that about 60% were still off cigarettes.

Dr. Willy Jordahl and Rev. Paul Frivold, who conducted the Oslo clinic, emphasize that the basic objective of the treatment is to develop motivation for breaking the deep-grained nicotine habit. The method, patterned after American principles, is strictly educational. As an exception to this general rule, it also includes a documentary film showing a cancer operation. The main stress is on providing emotional props for cigarette slaves who really want to quit the evil weed for good.

ICELANDIC NOTES

The Icelandic Society Spring Dance on Saturday, March 20 at the Scandinavian Centre was a huge success. Mr. Ken Oliver, our favorite emcee, kept everyone in a dancing mood to the very pleasant music of the Golden Nuggets. During intermission a group of men from the Icelandic Chorus led a sing-song accompanied by Mrs. Della Roland at the piano. Mr. Ivan King called two square dances after intermission to promote the idea of starting square dancing at the Scandinavian Centre this Fall, if enough people are interested in joining.

Mrs. Gisli Gislason underwent a second operation recently and is a patient in the University Hospital. We send our best wishes Mrs. Gislason, and hope you'll soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halldorson have as their guest, Bill's mother, Mrs. Kristine Halldorson of Winnipeg. She is here to attend the wedding of her grandson, Bob, to Miss Marie Worobes on April 17th. Bill's sister, Miss Mattie Halldorson of Winnipeg was also a visitor but was unable to stay for the wedding.

Mrs. Beulah Arason is responsible for mailing out the Scandinavian Centre News to non-shareholders, so please contact her or your News correspondent if you have a change of address. Beulah's address is - 7615 Rowland Road.

The students at Queen Elizabeth High School held a United Nation's Display and Program on the evening of April 2nd. Cultural Convener, Mrs. Freda Smith, arranged for a display table of Icelandic woollens and handicrafts and Mrs. Viola Wallbank was prepared to sing an Icelandic song but due to the lengthy program Viola was unable to sing. Freda reports the evening was a big success and the students should be congratulated on undertaking such a large project.

Mrs. Margaret Cameron attended the Girl Guide Association Conference for Brownie and Guide leaders at the Banff School of Fine Arts on April 10th and 11th to instruct the leaders in handicrafts.

Mrs. Vernor Restrict recently entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Marie Worobes, whose marriage to Mr. Bob Halldorson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halldorson, will take place April 17th, at the Mount Zion Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Cam Smith flew to the sunny city of Las Vegas, Nevada for a holiday, with a short side-trip to Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Margaret Longmore and her three girls of Winnipeg spent Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Henrickson.

Mr. O. V. Gislason of Deep Creek, Alberta, suffered a fractured hip in a freak accident. He was telephoning from an outdoor, glass telephone booth when a car negotiating a turn, skidded, hit the phone booth demolishing it and injuring O.V. He is a patient in the Athabasca Hospital and we send him our best wishes.

convener for the Coffee Party held Mrs. Margaret Cameron was the

Sunday afternoon, April 4th at the Scandinavian Centre to open Shareholder Visitation Week. The young ladies, very charmingly dressed in native costume of the five ethnic groups, served coffee. Representing the Icelandic Society were Miss Carole Arason and Miss Norma Rae Valgardson. Mrs. Harold Halldorson of the Icelandic Society was one of the ladies who graciously poured coffee during the afternoon. It was a pleasure to see Mr. and Mrs. W. Anderson out that afternoon.

Mr. Einar Stephenson of Red Deer was a patient in the University Hospital for observation but was returned to the Red Deer Memorial Hospital.

Five ladies of the Icelandic Society demonstrated and displayed some Icelandic recipes for the Gourmet Club at the University. Mrs. Freda Smith made ponnukokur; Mrs. Mickey Shaw, rulla pylsa and brown bread; Mrs. Pauline Mitchell, vinarterta, Mrs. Ida Stephenson, open-faced sandwiches using tomatoes and cucumbers; Mrs. Lil Sumarladason, Scandinavian fish bake and skyr.

Our sympathy is extended to Mr. Roy McLennan, his wife and family, over the death of his mother, Mrs. Joe McLennan in Riverton, Man.

Misses Lori and Leoni Oddson, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Leif Oddson, got a mark of 80% in a piano duet, Class B, in the Community League Talent Show, which makes them eligible to compete in the city finals.

Mrs. Walter Arason and daughter Beverley, spent Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Sig Arason of International Falls, Minnesota.

Mr. Stewart McLennan, second oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLennan, took Miss Darlene Melnyk as his bride on April 3.

Mrs. Bob Chase of Fort McMurray spent a weekend with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leif Oddson.

Hofn, Icelandic Old Folks Home in Vancouver has informed Mr. Walter Arason that it purchased two lovely sets of patio furniture with the money the Icelandic Society of Edmonton donated. We hope the residents will enjoy the furniture this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Shaw and family left for Gimli, April 15th, to attend the 60th anniversary celebration of Don's grandparents.

Dates To Remember!

May 16th — Coronation of Icelandic Queen (Fjallkona) at the Nordic Room from 2:30 - 5:00 p.m. This will be a very special occasion and much planning has gone into the program. Coffee will be served. All members and friends are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Arnason and family spent Easter holidays at Radium Hot Springs, B.C.

Birthdays

Congratulations, best wishes and good health to Mrs. Matilda Johnson on May 29th, and Mrs. Gudrun Vigfusson on May 13th.

Vasa Lodge Skandia Holds April Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Lodge Skandia No. 549 held in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre on April 3rd was well attended. Those reported sick were Roger Sund in hospital, John Anderson on crutches at home and John Ogren with his leg in a cast, also at home and Otto Sund recovered. Helen Engstrom was in hospital for an operation and Anna Johnson still is under doctors care.

Rudy Sund was officially appointed as director of outdoor activities for children's week at Vasa Park in July and Paul Nyroos agreed to act as cultural leader.

Initiation of eleven new members was conducted by the Drill Team in a colorful ceremony. They were assisted at the piano by Glen Eliasson. One of the new members was young Michael Skoog, who was promoted from the Junior Club.

It was agreed to have card playing after the next meeting.

After the meeting the following ladies served a very nice lunch: Ethel Markstrom and Minnie Markstrom, Verna Kvarnberg and Dot Ekman. Dancing was enjoyed until midnight to the music of the Checkmates.

The next meeting will be held in the Nordic Room on May 1st at 7 p.m. with card playing after. This will be the last meeting to be held in the city until autumn. Starting with the June meeting they will be held at Vasa Park.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

We have many requests from new members to participate in our Charter Flights and we would like to point out that no member is eligible unless they have been a member for six months prior to the flight.

Sons of Norway Future Dates

May 14th — Norways Independence Day, Banquet and Dance to be held at the Scandinavian Centre, 14220 - 125 Avenue.

May 28th — Hawaiian Night and Initiation to be held at the Scandinavian Centre.

June 13th — Senior Members Coffee Party at the Scandinavian Centre.

Senior Members To Hold Coffee Party

Plan now to attend the Senior Member's Coffee Party to be held in the Viking Room on Sunday, June 13th. The catering will be done by the Ladies Auxiliary and entertainment by the "Sweet Adelines." Mark this date on your calendar.

Whist Night Held April 9th, 1965

Members and friends enjoyed games of Court Whist on April 9th, after a brief general meeting. There were 14 tables of couples vying for prizes. Exchanges were made after 4 hands were played. During the final game an unusual quiet reigned. There were penalties, a loss of two points for any one who spoke, a couple of people broke the silence barrier in their enthusiasm.

There were prizes given for ladies high and low score and high and low for gent's and a mystery prize. The Nordic room was decorated in a Spring and Easter theme with yellow chicks and white bunnies and candles. Hostesses Beatrice Lubbers and Lillian Ness served a variety of delicious pies with huge scoops of ice cream and coffee. Ed Ness was in charge of the whist games.

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DANIA DOINGS

It was really too bad that so few turned up to our Basket Social, but the report from those present was: "We sure had such a good time," that is very nice to hear for those who had arranged such a party; but it is heartbreaking that so few pay attention to such things, as we are trying to do everything to please all of you, so please next time we call you out to enjoy yourself, let us see you there. Borge Lauritsen won a footstool.

The Ansgar Ladies Aid had a very successful Bazaar last Friday, the winners were as follows: Mrs. Maren Petersen won the Hamper, Mrs. Arnskou Nielsen a cushion which was donated by Mrs. V. Olsen. Miss Fuglsang donated a cushion too, it was won by Mrs. R. Villadsen. Mrse. Frode Mogensen won the Picnic Set and Mrs. Bodker the Men's Travel Kit, which was donated by Mrs. T. Nielsen. Thank you to all who donated and to all who came and bought and helped to make this Bazaar so successful.

Next "BIKUBE" meeting will be May 10th and we hope to see all the ladies come as we will have to arrange the last deals for our open house Coffee Party on Sunday, May 16th, we will be very happy to see all the Scandinavians and their friends that afternoon. There will also be some entertainment, so keep this Sunday afternoon in mind and enjoy a cup of coffee between 2 and 5 p.m. in the Viking Room at the Scandinavian Centre.

Remember May 5th as it will be another Club Night in the Dania Room. A Danish Film will be shown from 8:00 to 9:00 and there will be dancing to the Tape Recorder. Drinks and coffee will be available throughout the evening. Admission 50c per person. Bring a friend along.

When angry, count ten before you speak; if very angry, a hundred.—Jefferson.



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(via connecting carrier)
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SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Chris Hafstad celebrated her 80th birthday on March 25th and was payed a surprise visit by Mrs. Herstad, Mrs. Sivertsen, Mrs. Naversteth and Mrs. Amdam.

Birthdays greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Algot who will both be celebrating birthdays in May. Mr. Algot his 80th on the 17th and Mrs. Algot her 75th on May 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nilsen enjoyed several weeks of holidays in Hawaii in February and on their return extended the trip to Los Angeles, California where they visited with Mr. Thor Sire. Mr. Sire resided in Edmonton a number of years ago and, asked that his congratulations on the new Centre be conveyed to Scandinavians in Edmonton. He is now serving as president of Sons of Norway, Whittier Lodge.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Kalmar Amdam on the recent passing of her uncle, James Henry Whelan, who was 80 years of age.

Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen left on April 12th for two weeks of Easter holidays in London, Ontario.

Mr. Ben Surry had an operation for sinus recently at the Misericordia Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Surry are now residing at 6904 - 86 Avenue.

Melvin Stensby has moved to 8533 Connors Road.

Mrs. Earl G. Berg, wife of Dr. Berg is at home recuperating from 2 recent major operations on her back. We are sorry to hear this will be a long period of convalescence.

Brenda Sivertsen, aged 7 was a duettist in a Military March done in tap-step, on "Kiddies on Camera," Saturday, April 3rd. Looking prim in her red with trim costume, she marched in precise rhythm and smartly saluted at the finale. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sivertsen.

Garth Travis, aged 9, was one of the lucky youngsters whose name was drawn to fly over the city in a Wardair plane, on Sunday, March 21st. This was his first flight and he had a grandstand seat which gave him a good view of his grandfathers' farm, Mr. Scragg, who lives out in the St. Albert area. This was a thrill he will long remember but he does not plan to be a pilot.

Mrs. Robert Davis is at home recuperating from a series of varicose veins operations. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Joe Lineham was hospitalized again for a short period in April.

Mrs. Jean Omelchuk is now residing at 7120 - 100 Avenue. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Olafson who were married on March 27. They are residing at 9904 - 71 Street.

FINNISH SOCIETY

FINNISH FOOTNOTES

The Finnish Society and friends would like to wish the following members a Happy Birthday this month: Mrs. J. Sahuri, Mr. Valde Heinonen and Mr. Eero Honka.

A general meeting of the Finnish Society will be held on Tuesday, June 1 at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Salomaa.

Mrs. J. Koivuneva and Mr. J. Liimatainen were recently in the hospital.

Many thanks to Mrs. J. Luoma who poured coffee at the Scandinavian Centre coffee party and also to Ritva and Diane Salomaa who helped with the servings.

—Bertha Rama

The April dance was very much enjoyed by all. Out of town guests included, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Halonen and family of Coronado, Mr. and Mrs. Suoja and Anton of Radway and Mrs. A. Kari and Mr. E. N. Tikkanen of Rich Lake. The seven brothers presented another short comedy and during the evening trophies were presented to winners of the fishing derby held in March. Winners were: Men's Division: Mr. Paul Kamonen; Women's Division: Mrs. J. Sahuri and Children's Division: 1st prize, Jacky Rastas, 2nd prize, Tim Sahuri and 3rd prize, Johnny Kovacs.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Smorgasbord and Dance to be held on May 15th in the Scandinavian Centre's Nordic Room. Tickets are \$2.00 per person and may be purchased beforehand or at the door. A good orchestra will be in attendance.

Mr. E. Salovaara has left to work in Dawson Creek British Columbia.

Thank you to Mrs. V. Rastas and Mrs. R. Vesaniemi who were hostesses of the May sewing-circle.

Mrs. S. Kit and Miss S. Keituri recently enjoyed a short holiday in Vancouver, B.C.

The former Miss Rita Nahkuri was honoured at three bridal showers before her marriage to Mr. Louis Vagovics at Augustana Lutheran Church. Mrs. L. Vesalainen and Ulla were hostesses at a miscellaneous shower at which time guests included Rita's former classmates. At another shower given by Mrs. E. Veis, her co-workers presented her with many lovely presents. Mrs. P. Utenen and Mrs. J. Sahuri held a shower in Rita's honour with all her Finnish friends as guests.

Good deeds ring clear through heaven, like a bell.—Richter.

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Norwegian Experts
To South America

The Norwegian Agency for International Development Assistance has recruited four experts for UN Special Fund assignments in South American countries—Ecuador, Colombia and Argentina.

Bjorn Bolviken, head of the Geochemical Department of Norway's Geological Survey, Trondheim, is going to Ecuador. For the next 12 months, he will direct investigations of certain mineral deposits.

Halfdan Nielsen Moe, of Oslo, who has a doctorate in chemistry, will serve 4 months as nutrition advisor at the Institute of Technology, Bogota, Columbia. Magne Nestvold, of Norwegian Industries Development Association, will work 4 months at the Institute of Technology, Buenos Aires. His specialty is tanning. Plant manager Angsar Melle, of Arendal, is also headed for Argentina. He will teach work study techniques at state plants.

Homecoming Year
To Be Proclaimed
In Sweden

A very special year consisting of 13 months and two Christmases will be proclaimed in Sweden in the immediate future, the Swedish National Travel Office announces. It is called Homecoming Year and will be specially dedicated to the Swedish-Americans.

There are 2.5 million Americans of Swedish descent and about 65,000 Canadians of Swedish descent living in North America today. The idea is to invite them to Sweden and let them see for themselves how Sweden has turned into a modern state where the standard of living ranks highest in the world next to the U.S.

Everyone visiting Sweden during the Homecoming Year starting next December will get VIP-treatment. To make this possible special welcome committees, similar to the already existing Sweden-at-Home program, will be organized all over Sweden. This will be done on non-commercial basis and local women's clubs, youth clubs, etc., are expected to take part.

A special department will handle all applications for tracing the Swedish Americans' ancestry. Certain attention will be paid to those who have no longer any relatives alive in Sweden. The interest for the campaign is great on both sides of the Atlantic.

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If one of those submitted is selected and used, the Board will give a share in the Scandinavian Centre to the winner. The designer must submit a colored drawing to Knut Svidal, 600 McLeod Building by June 1st, 1965.

The design should show something Scandinavian as well as tie in with the Klondike Days theme. The design will become the property of the Scandinavian Centre and may be modified as to materials and size.

VASA GLIMPSES

District Master Margaret Eliasson attended the 43rd anniversary celebration of the Vasa Lodge in Bellingham, Washington.

Members from Skandia Lodge who attended the Buford Lodge 33rd anniversary meeting were Eric and Hansene Pierre, Harold and Minnie Markstrom, Margaret Eliasson, Willard and Evelyn Modin, Magnus and Betty Pearson, Eric and Margaret Engvall and Glen Eliasson.

Emma Kragg enjoyed a week's visit to Vancouver and Victoria.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Magnus Pearson recently were their daughter, Mrs. H. Correll (Marjory) and son Kurt of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Hober were stricken with the Tropical Fever and headed south to Hawaii for a holiday. They travelled by train to Vancouver where they boarded a steamship for a 9 day cruise to their destination. They returned by air.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Runcer, nee Caron Markstrom, on the birth of a daughter on April 5th, a sister to Terri-Lynn.

It has been reported that Mrs. Anna Johnson is a patient in the Norwood Auxiliary Hospital. Our sincere wishes for an early recovery.

Alma Samuelson went to Victoria to visit her brother over Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Hokanson are on a tour of Europe. They flew to New York where they boarded an ocean liner to the old country. They will visit the Scandinavian countries, Central Europe and England, where Mrs. Hokanson was born. They will return by air.

Mr. and Mrs. Mons Eliasson and Glen and Audrey motored to British Columbia and the U.S. for the Easter holidays.

Martha Hokanson of Vancouver is in Edmonton taking care of the home and family of her son Ernie when he and his wife Rene are on holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson have returned home with their two sons Brian and Jim after attending their daughter's wedding in Denver, Colorado. Mrs. Ed Carlson, wife of the Swedish Vice Counsel for Manitoba and Mrs. W. Swanson, both of Winnipeg, who were also guests at the wedding, accompanied them back to Edmonton for a few days visit. They enjoyed some of the attractions of our fair city and especially the Scandinavian Centre.

Willard Modin was honored on Sunday evening March 21 in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre when friends and members of Lodge Skandia gathered to celebrate with him on the occasion of his 50th birthday. Relatives from Buford and Calmar were also present. There was a lovely birthday cake and he was presented with a gift. Betty Pearson read an original birthday poem, composed especially for him by his wife Evelyn and Betty Pearson. Willard extends a sincere thanks to all who helped to make his birthday party a success, and for the gift which was much appreciated.

The coffee party and bazaar sponsored by the Vasa Ladies Auxiliary, held at the Hudson Bay Auditorium recently was a great success with a good attendance and everything sold out. The door prizes were won by Mrs. Isabella Broughton and Mrs. S. Franzen. A hearty thank you was extended to all who helped with donations and work for this affair.

The pot luck supper held in the Nordic Room on March 21st was greatly enjoyed by an enthusiastic crowd. There was plenty of good food of all kinds and a nice program to round out the evening.

Valberg Dance

On Saturday evening, April 10th approximately 250 people enjoyed Skandia's first Valberg dance with the music provided by the Checkmates orchestra, and a floor show by Eileen Dodds School of Dance and Baton. The theme of the dance was in celebration of an old Swedish custom to burn the winter witches in welcoming spring. To compliment this event of the season the entrance and Viking ballroom of the Scandinavian Centre were suitably decorated with budding birch trees and branches, witches and brooms.

The Vasa Ladies' Auxiliary served coffee and pastry for refreshments. Sig Johnson came in from Minburn to M.C. the affair. A door prize of a \$10.00 hamper of groceries was won by Clifford and Paula Lindberg and other prizes were drawn by lucky ticket holders during the evening.

The committee in charge deserve warm praise for making this gala evening a wonderful success and it is hoped to make this an annual event of the spring seasons of the future.

A district executive meeting was held on April 10th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Magnus Pearson when plans were made for the district convention. Representatives from other lodges were Bert Johnson of Calgary, John Holmgren of Falun and Floyd Modin of Buford.

District Bi-Annual Convention To Be Held

Nordsjarnan Lodge of Falun, Alberta will host the 17th bi-annual convention of District 18 Alberta Vasa Lodges on June 19th and 20th to be held in the Legion Hall in Wetaskiwin.

Ladies' Auxiliary

The regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of Lodge Skandia was held at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Modon on the afternoon of April 14th. Final arrangements were made for catering to the Bowling and Curling banquet (smorgasbord) on May 7th, also plans for making a quilt. This will be set up in the basement in the home of Margaret Eliasson and ladies will go there to do the quilting.

The next meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Modin, 10507 - 79 Avenue on May 12th at 1:30 p.m.

Annual Picnic At Vasa Park

Sunday, June 6th is the date set for the Vasa midsummer picnic. Dinner will be served at noon. There will be sports and games for all to enjoy.

The clock which was donated by the Vasa Ladies Auxiliary has been hung in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre.

Easter Exodus As Big As Ever

Norwegians towns were pretty deserted last week as hundreds of thousands took advantage of the long Easter holidays to ski in the mountains. A sizeable number of East Norwegians motorists crossed the border for shopping sprees in Sweden. For the minority that stayed in town, there were church services, sacred concerts, and sight-seeing tours to shrines. Easter services were also held at scores of mountain resort sand open-air chapels.

Fog and exceptionally heavy snow fall, followed by rain, made for poor skiing conditions in most parts of East Norway. Nevertheless, all mountain resorts and hostels were packed by Easter vacationers. As of last Saturday, no serious accidents had been reported and not a single skie rwas lost in the mountain wilderness. Just in case, the Mountain Rescue Corps of Norwegian Red Cross had mobilized some 8,000 rescue volunteers. At their disposal was an elaborate telecommunications system and trained avalanche dogs. Ambulance helicopters were ready for action if needed.



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U.S. Shipping Restrictions Deplored...

Norwegian shipowner Tom Wilhelssen recently warned that shipping companies would have to discontinue or radically yalter their liner services on U.S.A., unless American shipping policies are changed within a reasonable time. Addressing the Norwegian - American Chamber of Commerce in Oslo, he suggested there was some hope of a change in U.S.A.s cargo preference and subsidy policies.

Mr. Wilhelmsen stressed that Norwegian shipping is ready to compete on equal terms in order to maintain its position. "If we are unable to do that," he said, "we shall have no claim on servicing American liner trades. What we object to and resist is to be knocked out by a regulation and discrimination policy that is not in the interest of the United Staes, commerce, or he liner companies."

Mr. Wilhelmsen said shipping is very concerned about the U.S. trend toward regulation of freight rates, because of the broader perspectives that it might entail. It would mark another step in the direction of making liner service in U.S.A. a completely regulated industry. And that would have a contagious effect throughout the world. Liner service would thus become a public utility, designed to serve the interests of commerce. Such a development would lad to rigid and uneconomical conditions, with poor service for shipping customers.

Entertainment, Celebrations And Sports Make Scandinavia All-year Vacationland

I f you're willing to believe that Scandinavians are very much like Canadians then a quick look at this year's calendar of events should convinc eyou that Scandinavians can be as much of a year-round attraction for you as it is for Danes, Finns, Norwegians and Swedes. The logic behind this argument is that: Scandinavians won't buy anything you won't, an dif these events are winning the love of large audiences in December as well as in May, they ought to be worthy of your attention then, too.

For example, everybody likes entertainment. Some like it serious, some like it light. Scandinavia offers both throughout the year, with the main music and drama season running from September into June. Thus, in Denmark, you have the choice of the Royal Theatre's ballet, opera and drama programs, alternating almost daily, and the National Radio Symphony Orchestra in its Thursday evening and Sunday afternoon concerts.

In Helsinki, the Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra gives Tuesday evening concerts, while the Helsinki City Symphony also performs weekly. Finland's National Opera offers ballet as well as opera, and the National Theatre stages both Finnish classics and Finnish versions of contemporary foreign plays.

In Norway, the Bergen Symphony Orchestra, which is celebrating its two-hundredth birthday, gives Tuesday evening concerts, and the Oslo Philharmonic plays weekly, usually Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. The Norwegian Opera and various dramatic groups also perform.

Sweden enjoys its famed Royal Dramatic Theatre, managed by Ingmar Bergman, in frequent performances, and has concerts by leading orchestras in Stockholm, Gothenburg, Malmo, Helsingborg and elsewhere.

When the regular season ends, it's Scandinavian Festival time, with the Royal Danish Ballet and Music Festival, May 15 - June 9, in Copenhagen; the Sibelius Festival, May 15 - June 4, in Helsinki, and the Bergen International Festival May 19 - June 5 in Bergen Norway.

From then until the Stockholm Festival, September 1 - 14, opens the regular season again, Scandinavia's open-air summer theatres are active. Denmark re-enacts scenes

from its Viking history, June 19 - July 4; the unique revolving amphitheatre a Tampere, Finland, presents drama from June 15 to August 15; Norway offers an International Jazz Festival at Molde, July 29 - August 1, and Sweden presents a miracle play in the medieval cathedral ruins of Visby, on the island of Gotland, July 7 - August 28.

Throughout the year, various celebrations give visitors intimate glimpses of Scandinavian life and folklore. In Finland, on February 5, student parades and oher festivities honor Johan Ludvig Runeberg, Finland's national poet. April 30 in Sweden and Finland is Walpurgis Night, heralding spring with bonfires and student merrymaking. Norway celebrates its Constitution Day on May 17 with parades of gaily dressed school children and university students. Denmark holds one of the world's biggest celebrations of American Independence Day on July 4, at Rebild. Throughout the four countries, Midsummer — the longest day of the year — is the occasion for much fun. It's observed on June 23 in Denmark and Norway, and on June 25 in Finland and Sweden.

The sports enthusiast, whether spectator or active participant, also finds much all year. The soccer season is March - June and September - November. Horse racing is March - December. The winter sports season is mid-December to April. Golf is mainly May - October, although some courses are open all year. The major yachting events are in July, and international sea fishing festivals take place in August.

Shopping, too, is a major event in Scandinavia, particularly because of the importance of Scandinavian design. The Scandinavian Design Cavalcade introduces the latest creations in arts and crafts in all four capitals in October, and design also is featured at the Danish Textiles Export Fair, March 12 - 16; the Swedish Industries Fair, May 7 to 16, the Finnish Trade Fair, September 17 - 26 and at other exhibits.

Event lists are available from the Scandinavian Travel Commission, Box 260, New York, N.Y. 10017, or Box 17473, Los Angeles, Calif. 90017.

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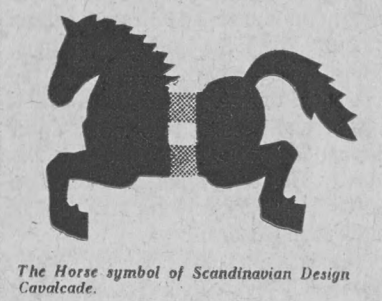
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Air pollution is Aronsohn's target. To meet the hrea rapidly growing in highly auomotive and industrialized areas, he has designed a ceramic exhaust burner to check the man-made plague. It renders harmless toxic carbon monoxide fumes. The burner can be adapted to motor vehicles, heating plants, factories and other sources of air contamination and is designed as a relatively low-cost item. Aronsohn's concept recently won a silver medal at the Fourteenth International Inventor's Fair in Brussels.

Researchers have been working on th air pollution problem for many years. Two previously established principles provided the basis for the Swedish technician's work. By combining them, and reducing sizes he developed the exhaust burner which can easily be installed on practically any car.

The burner is cylindrical, about 14 inches long, with a diameter of about five inches. The automobile version is installed in the vehicle's exhaust system.

Fumes to be exhausted are conducted into a special chamber which has walls and a dispersion cone made of ceramic material. The ceramic functions as a catalyst an din so doing, eliminates toxic gases. After cooling, waste gas is discharged through the traditional exhaus system.

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Bergen will handle the added influx with a new nine-storey Hotel Norge, one of the most up-to-date hotels in Europe. With beds for 500 guests in 240 air-conditioned rooms, it is also one of Scandinavia's largest. Even youth host- elers get a taste of luxury in Bergen. The brand new Montana Youth Hostel, 15 minutes away from the city's center, has 200 beds in four-bedded rooms with regular hotel conveniences and a glorious panoramic view of the town and suburbs.

The new facilities mean that more can now enjoy Bergen Inter- national Festival, May 19th to June 5th, which features 70 different events in music, drama, folklore, opera and ballet with artists from all over the world. Bergen's own symphony orchestra, the Harmonien, celebrates its two hundreth anniversary this year, and he Berlin Philahrmonic Orchestra and the Cleveland Orchestra also play. Much of the festival is dedicated to Ed- vard Grieg, Bergen's native son.

Festival time is also "fjord blos- som time" near Bergen, particu- larl yon the HaHrHdHanger, "queen of the fjords" where fruit trees in bloom, blue waters of the fjord and

snow-capped mountains provide an exhilarating panorama. Here, too, more hotels are being added and expanded, and new tours are being creatd to tak advantage of the improved transportation facilities.

Jus as Bergen and Stavanger to its south are gateways to the fjords, Oslo, the Viking capital ,is the aerial gateway to North Norway and the Midnight Sun country. You can't see the Midnight Sun in Oslo, although the nighs are light in summer, but you can't make round-trip Midnight Sun flights, June 1 to July 17, to Bodo, just above the Arctic Circle, and enjoy th eawesome spectacle of the sun staying above the horizon at mid- night. The nine-hour programs also unfold many other remarkable sights fro mthe air. A four-hour flight from Oslo to Tromso will bring you to the start of several other exciting itineraries; four-day coastal express journeys around the North Cape to Kirkenes and back and two-week tours to Spitsbergen, at the 80th parallel, designed for the polar bear hunter and amateur photographer. New airports in North Norway have opened up many other trave loppotunities.

One of the most interesting developments in Norway is the extent to which the travel season has expanded, and this is the re- sul of both the warmth of the Gulf Stream which blesses Norway an dthe warmth of the response from tourists. Three-day fjord tours between Oslo and Bergen now starts as early as May 14 and continue to September 9. Regularly scheduled sightseeing tours in the two cities run from May 1 to Sep- tember 30th, and the tour to Grieg's home, near Bergen, runs April 20th to October 10th. The Scandinavian Design Cavalcade, for many years a major September ber this year. Literature on Nor- event in Oslo, will be held in Octo- way is available from the Norwe- gian National Travel Office, 290 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

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Junior Bowling League Finishes Season

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In the girls High Single, Bonnie Laughlin, 246; High Triple, Arlene Amdam, 572; High Average, Arlene Amdam, 163.

In the boys' Norman Dick captured all three places with a High Single of 282; High Triple of 709; and High Average of 182.

Arlene was Captain of the winning team "The Shades," they won 24 games and lost 12. Runners-up were the "Ookpiks," with Norman Dick as Captain. They won 20 games and lost 16.

Curling

On Sunday April 11th two rinks of Vasa curlers met to break a tie in the finals for the season. Don Johnson's rink with Sophie Morris, Carl Hartson and Erling Winquist won against Bert Watson skipping for Evelyn Johnson, Bud Holmgren and Eunice Ferguson to the tune of 12-2.

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